

Attorney of the Year 2008

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Salt Lake - Assistant Attorney General, Susan Eisenman, was named Attorney of the Year and presented with an award at a luncheon held in November. Eisenman was highlighted for her success in negotiating the final settlement to the notorious "David C." lawsuit against the Division of Child and Family Services.



"Susan is one of the finest lawyers I have ever worked with - she is smart, energetic and thorough," said Craig Barlow, Division Chief of Children's Justice. "She was central to the legal efforts to finalize the David C. lawsuit." The lawsuit lasted 14 years and cost \$7 million in legal fees. Eisenman was also involved in the case of accused Elizabeth Smart kidnapper, Wanda Barzee, and whether she should be force medicated.

Eisenman has worked with various agencies within the Department of Human Services from Aging to Juvenile Justice. She has an incredible working knowledge of the law and strongly advocates for the Department and our clients. "Susan is one of those incredibly bright thinkers that can change the game entirely for you if she is on your side," says Lisa-Michele Church, DHS Director, "Not only does she see angles that no one else thought of, but her judgment about human nature and legal strategy is some of the best I have ever seen."

Despite her shrewdness in court and her strong New York personality, Eisenman is known for her great sense of humor. "Susan has a big heart and is a delight to work with at DHS," states Barlow.